

# DOE Regional Carbon Sequestration Partnerships



*Phase II Kickoff Meeting  
Field Validation Testing*

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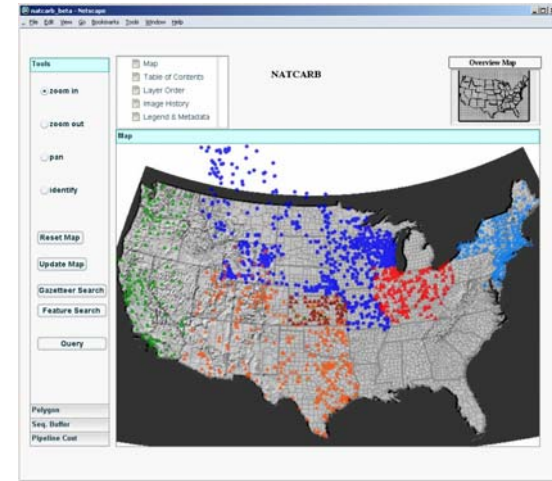
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# Phased Approach

## Phase I (Characterization)

- 7 Partnerships (40 states)
- 24 months (2003-2005)



## Phase II (Field Validation Tests)

- 4 years (2005-2009)
- 7 regions
- \$100 million federal funds
- \$45 million federal funds

## Phase III – 2009-2013

- Pending authorization
- Significance to FutureGen

# Phase I Accomplishments

- **Carbon Sequestration Atlases**
  - GIS based regional systems & support to NATCARB
- **Decision support tools**
  - Assess sink characteristics for potential sites
  - Proximity to sources and transportation infrastructure
- **MMV technologies and protocols**
- **Matching sources with capture technology**
- **Permitting guidelines**
- **Outreach and education mechanisms**
  - Town hall meetings, focus groups, videos



## **Phase II Goals**

### ***Field Validation Testing***

- 1. Perform regional technology validation tests for 2012 technology assessment**
- 2. Refine and implement MMV protocols**
- 3. Continue regional characterization**
- 4. Regulatory compliance activities**
- 5. Implement public outreach and education**
- 6. Identify commercially available sequestration technologies ready for large scale deployment**



# Geologic Sequestration

- **25 Geologic Sequestration Injection Tests**
  - 4 stacked saline/EOR reservoir sequestration tests
  - 6 saline reservoir sequestration tests
  - 6 coal seam sequestration tests with ECBM
  - 8 depleted oil field sequestration tests with EOR
  - 1 depleted gas field sequestration tests with EGR
- **Injecting 750-525,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> over 3.5 years**
- **Represents >1,000 GT Storage Capacity**
  - ~500 years CO<sub>2</sub> storage from all U.S. energy point sources



# Terrestrial Sequestration

## 10 Terrestrial Indirect Sequestration Tests

- 4 Agriculture/Rangeland management
- 4 Forestry
- 1 Mineland restoration
- 1 Wetland/Prairie Restoration

### Regionally important sinks

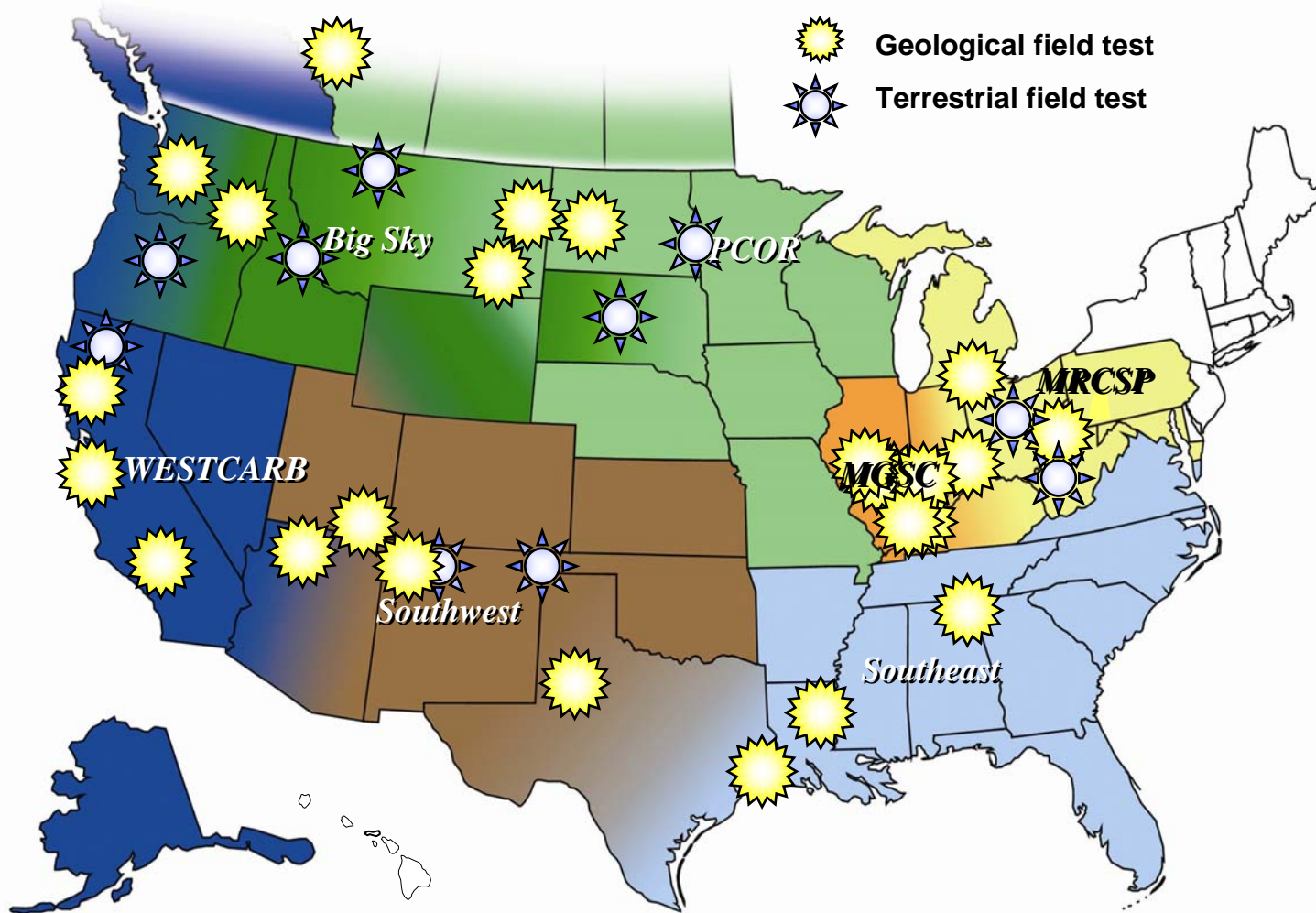
### Currently offsets ~50% GHG emissions from energy point sources

- 828 Tg in 2005 (down 20% since 1990)
- Reverse this trend



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## *Field Validation Tests*



# Partnerships Collaborating Activities

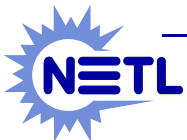
- **Working Groups**
  - Geologic (Injection and storage)
  - Capture and Transportation
  - GIS/Database Development
  - Public Outreach and Education
- **NATCARB**
- **Regulatory Task Force (IOGCC)**
- **WebPages and Presentations**
- **CSLF Project**





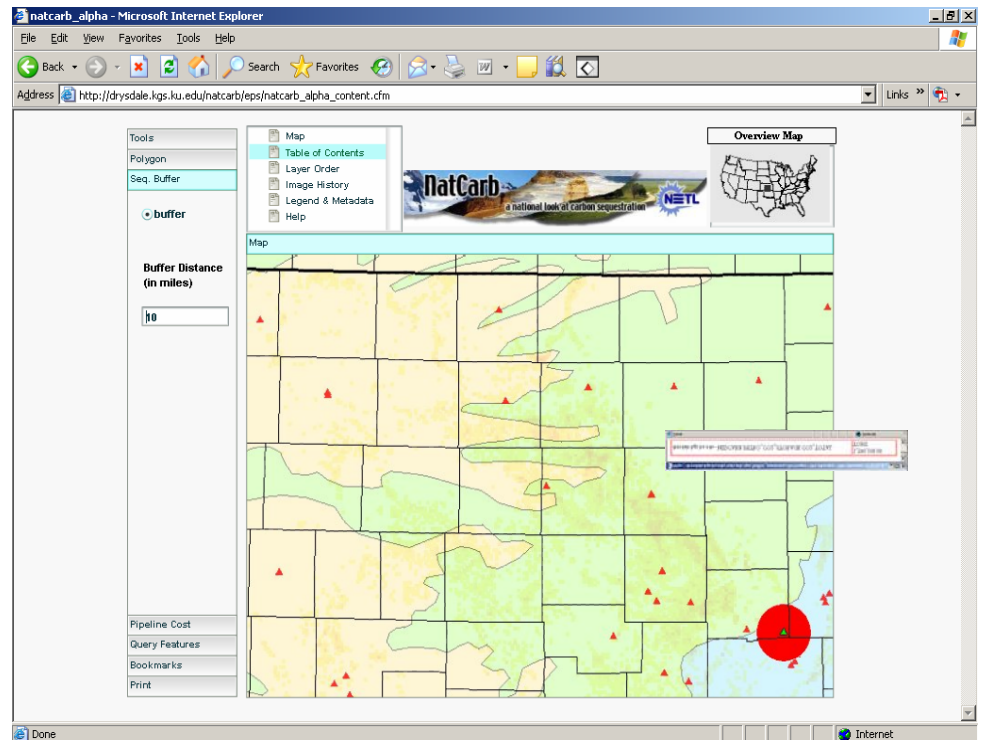
# Working Groups

- **Geologic (Injection and storage)**
  - “Standardized” formation characteristics
  - Forum to discuss issues (i.e. unmineable coal)
  - Workshop held in Midland, TX at Frio Brine site
- **Capture and Transportation**
  - Discuss sources of data and capture technologies
  - Joint workshop and paper at national conference
- **Public outreach and education**
  - Developed common messages for sequestration
  - Series of seminars with industry, NGOs, trading companies
- **GIS / Database Development**
  - Share tools and methods and to develop regional atlases
  - Collaboration with NATCARB



# NATCARB

- National perspective of sequestration potential
- Decision support tools
  - Polygons for source data
  - Capacity buffers
  - Pipeline tool
- Gateway to partnerships
- Outreach tool
- Continue to collaborate



# Regulatory Task Force (IOGCC)

- **Existing regulatory structure and gaps**
  - Capture
  - Transportation
  - Injection
  - Post injection storage (ownership and liability)
- **Phase II**
  - Continue regulatory assessment
  - Provide support to Phase II field validation tests



# NEPA Process

**Separate from Permitting Process**

**Project vs. Programmatic**

**Environmental Questionnaires**

**Project manager → NEPA Compliance Officer**

## **Regulations**

- **National Environmental Policy Act of 1969**
- **Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing NEPA (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508)**
- **Department of Energy NEPA Regulations (10 CFR Part 1021)**



# Summary

- **Partnerships multidisciplinary teams have become effective at matching sources and sinks**
- **Realistic estimates of capacity show sequestration as a real GHG mitigation opportunity**
- **Private/public partnerships such as these are necessary for wide scale deployment**
- **Continued partnerships collaboration necessary to build upon our success – existing and new working groups**